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Southern Region News Release Small Grains



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U.S. Winter Wheat Production Down

The United States all wheat production totaled 1.83 billion bushels in 2020, down 5 percent from the revised 2019 total of 1.93 billion bushels. Area harvested for grain totaled 36.7 million acres, down 2 percent from the previous year. The yield was estimated at 49.7 bushels per acre, down 2.0 bushels from the previous year. Oat production was estimated at 65.4 million bushels, up 23 percent from 2019.

Key findings for the Southern Region

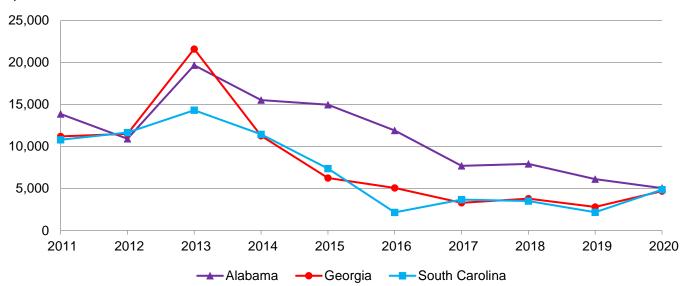
Alabama: Winter wheat production, at 5.04 million bushels, is down 18 percent from 2019. Winter wheat planted acreage, at 135,000 acres, is up 5,000 while harvested acreage, at 70,000 acres, is down 15,000 from the previous year. Yield averaged 72 bushels per acre, unchanged from last year.

Georgia: Oat production, at 1.08 million bushels, is up 31 percent from 2019. Planted acreage, at 80,000 acres, is up 10,000 and harvested acres, at 20,000 acres are up 5,000 from the previous year. Oat yield is 54 bushels per acres, a 1 bushel decline from last year. Winter wheat production, at 4.68 million bushels, is up 67 percent from 2019. Winter wheat planted acreage, at 190,000 acres, is up 40,000 and harvested acreage, at 85,000 acres is up 35,000 from the previous year. Yield, at 55 bushels per acre, is down 1 bushel from last year.

South Carolina: Winter wheat production, at 4.85 million bushels, is up 124 percent from 2019. Winter wheat planted acreage, at 110,000 acres, is up 40,000 with harvested acreage at 95,000 acres, an increase of 50,000 from the previous year. Yield averaged 51 bushels per acre, up 3 bushels from last year.

Winter Wheat Production – States: 2011-2020

1,000 bushels



Small Grains Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production – States and United States: 2019 and 2020

Commodity and State	Area planted1		Area harvested		Yield		Production	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(1,000 acres)	(bushels)	(bushels)	(1,000 bushels)	(1,000 bushels)
Oats								
Georgia	70	80	15	20	55.0	54.0	825	1,080
United States	2,830	2,984	828	1,004	64.3	65.1	53,258	65,355
Wheat, winter								
Alabama	130	135	85	70	72.0	72.0	6,120	5,040
Georgia	150	190	50	85	56.0	55.0	2,800	4,675
South Carolina	70	110	45	95	48.0	51.0	2,160	4,845
United States	31,474	30,415	24,592	23,024	53.6	50.9	1,316,963	1,171,022

¹ Includes area planted in preceding fall.

Source: USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service - Small Grains 2020 Summary, September 2020

Oat Production - Georgia: 2011-2020

1,000 bushels

